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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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ANDREOLI, et al.)	Parent Group Art Unit: 1651
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Parent Serial No.: 09/899,607)	Parent Examiner: D. Naff
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Parent application Filed: July 5, 2001)	
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For: LOW FLUORESCENCE NYLON/GLASS)	
COMPOSITES FOR)	
MICRO-ANALYTICAL)	
DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATIONS)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "A"

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Sir:

Prior to Examination, please amend the above-mentioned application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, following the heading, Related Applications, please insert the following sentence:

The subject application is a divisional of U.S. patent application no. 09/899,607, filed July 5, 2001.

Enclosed herewith is a substitute specification of the original application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b). Please find enclosed a clean version and a marked up version attached hereto.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please replace Figure 6 with new Figures 6A, 6B, 6C, and 6D, attached herewith.

Please replace Figure 7 with new Figures 7A, 7B, 7C, and 7D, attached herewith. A copy of the replacement drawings is concurrently sent to the draftsman herewith.